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H.R. 609 - To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, and for other purposes

Floor Situation

H.R. 609 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Chet Edwards (D-TX) on January 22, 2007.

**Note: During the 109th Congress, Rep. Chet Edwards (R-AZ) introduced identical legislation, H.R. 34181, which passed the House of Representatives by voice vote on May 2, 2006. The Senate received the bill but took no action.*

H.R. 609 is expected to be considered on the floor on ????.

Summary

H.R. 609 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to cooperation with the City of Waco, Texas, to help with the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project. This will help to deliver approximately 10 million gallons of reused water to the McLennan County area.

Background

The region around Waco and McLennan county has grown rapidly over the last few years. (Number???). City planners have done studies and determined a new water reuse facility is necessary to accommodate the growth. This facility will cost roughly \$25 million with 25% (or 6.25 million) being financed by the government. The facility will proved approximately 10 million gallons of reused water each day to the region

Cost

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) has not scored H.R. 609

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